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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at 612/371-5340 if any further questions or concerns arise.

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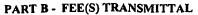
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